

Can I use both 64-bit and 32-bit versions of Reason 8.1/Essentials 8.1/Limited on my 64-bit Windows system?



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Reason Version 8.2 and later only supports 64-bit operating systems and cannot be run in 32-bit mode. Reason Versions 6 to 8.1 supports both 32-bit and 64-bit operating systems. In Windows, there is a single Reason installer containing both the 32-bit and the 64-bit version. When you run the installer, it detects if you're running a 64-bit OS, and automatically installs the 64-bit version of Reason. Otherwise, the 32-bit version is installed. It might be desirable to run the 32-bit version even under a 64-bit OS (for example if you're using Reason with ReWire and a host that only supports 32-bit ReWire). Then, you can force the installer to install the 32-bit version in the following way:

1. Create a shortcut of the "Install Reason.exe" file.
2. Right-click the shortcut and select "Properties".
3. In the "Target" field, add " /32" (without quotes, keep the leading space) at the very end.
4. Click OK.
5. Double click the shortcut to run the Reason installer in 32-bit mode.

Forcing a 32-bit installation this way should give the name "Reason (32)" to the desktop icon and Start menu folder.